

PTO/SB/08b(08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449B/PTO		Complete If Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application Number	10/033,274
		Filing Date	12/27/01
		First Named Inventor	C. Michael Philbrook
		Art Unit	1615
		Examiner Name	Bennett, R. M.
(Use as many sheets as necessary)		Attorney Docket Number	5052
Sheet	2	of	2

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
	4	BARMAN, et al., "Thermoresponsive, Biodegradable Hydrogels; Effect of Chain Structure on Hydrogel Properties", 23 rd Annual Meeting of the Society For Biomaterials, April 30 - May 4, 1997, p. 120	
	5	BARMAN, et al., "Sustained Release from Bioabsorbable Polyether-based Matrices with Variable Chain Segments", 23 rd Annual Meeting of the Society For Biomaterials, April 30 - May 4, 1997, p. 164	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 120 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.